



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 5277

LCO No. 820



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

Introduced by:
(PS)

***AN ACT EXTENDING THE MUNICIPAL PROPERTY TAX RELIEF TO
RETIRED VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 12-81w of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2016*):

3 The legislative body of any municipality may establish, by
4 ordinance, a program to provide property tax relief for the nonsalaried
5 local emergency management director, [and] for any individual who
6 volunteers his or her services as a firefighter, fire police officer, as
7 defined in subsection (a) of section 7-308, emergency medical
8 technician, paramedic, civil preparedness staff, an active member of a
9 volunteer canine search and rescue team, as defined in section 5-249,
10 an active member of a volunteer underwater search and rescue team,
11 or an ambulance driver in the municipality and for any individual who
12 is a retired volunteer firefighter. Such tax relief may provide either (1)
13 an abatement of up to one thousand dollars in property taxes due for
14 any fiscal year, or (2) an exemption applicable to the assessed value of
15 real or personal property up to an amount equal to the quotient of one

16 million dollars divided by the mill rate, in effect at the time of
17 assessment, expressed as a whole number of dollars per one thousand
18 dollars of assessed value. Any ordinance may authorize interlocal
19 agreements for the purpose of providing property tax relief to such
20 volunteers who live in one municipality but volunteer or volunteered
21 their services in another municipality.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2016</i>	12-81w

Statement of Purpose:

To extend the municipal option to provide property tax relief to retired volunteer firefighters.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]